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1 **Remarks****Claim Amendments**

Claim 1 has been amended to change subparagraph "l" to subparagraph "i".

- 5 The use of "l" is a typographical error that has subsisted since the claim was originally filed.

Claim 2 has been amended to call for "a wood screw fastener" rather than "a
10 plurality of wood screw fastener." The inclusion of "plurality of" is a typographical error that has subsisted since the claim was originally filed.

Conclusion

- 15 It is submitted that the claims now pending are in condition for allowance.

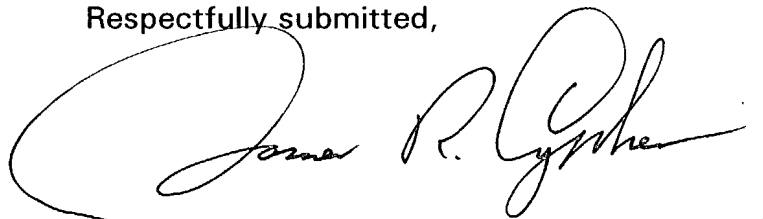
The undersigned wishes to state that if the Examiner has any questions about this response, the undersigned would be happy to try to answer them
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Respectfully submitted,

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